It is reported that the provost guards stationed in Chattanooga un-der command of Capt. H. S. Cole will be demobilized about the 15th of this month. There are at present approximately 100 guards stationed in the city, including those on guard duty at the Florence Crittenton home, in

When asked for a statement con-cerning this subject Capt. Cole stated that the only thing he could say rela-tive to the discharging of the guards is that they are a part of the medica camp at Camp Greenleaf, and that it already has been announced that the entire personnel of Camp Greenleaf would be demobilized by this time. While Capt. Cole has not received any definite orders along these lines it is generally thought that the proif not on the 15th, very shortly after-

wards.

If the old provosts are discharged or relieved from duty in Chattanooga, the question that is being discussed now is whether there will be another company sent in to take their places, company sent in to take their places, or if the guards in the city will be removed entirely. While Capt. Cole states that he hardly thinks that just at this time the authorities will leave the city without any provost guards, he admits that it is possible. In speaking of the general condi-tions here from his department Capt. tions here from his department Capt. Cole states that there is less whisky in Chattanooga right at the present time than there ever has been in the history of the city. In referring to the girl problem here, the captain stated that while the situation is not ony more serious, it is requiring more vigilance at the present time than in the past several months to keep conditions as they should be. The re-ports show that the number of argives forty-one girls arrested and for December sixty-one, and the total for the past six months shows 411 girls

#### LOCAL FLASHES

Miss Alsup Transferred.

Miss Isabelle Alsup has been transferred from the office of the city school superintendent, C. H. Winder, to the Chattanooga High school. Miss Alsup's place as secretary to Supt. Winder will be filled by Miss Edna Kendai.

Miss Barrett Will Return Miss Maude Barrett, who has been visiting Mrs. Stanton H. Barrett at Owenriboro, Ky., will return home next Saturday. While there Miss Barrett

Saturday. While there Miss Barrett has been the honoree of a number of parties.

United States where these two departments are connected. He declared that as it is the health departments are connected. He declared that as it is the health department is not related in any way with education, and therefore it could be included in some other department of hitting something; but whether it was unching. They bombed the "fortifications" of London as an assassin might throw a greade into a crowded theater—certain of hitting something; but whether it was unching. They bombed the "fortifications" of London as an assassin might throw a greade into a crowded theater—certain of hitting something; but whether it was unching. They bombed the "fortifications" of London as an assassin might throw a greade into a crowded theater—certain of hitting something; but whether it was to public utilities, grounds and build-quarters since early in the evening up to five morning was finterrupted by a call for the wagon at Ninth and Market streets, where Patrolman Joe Chambers and S. S. Swafford arrested Jim Adams, a laborer, on a charge of reckless driving. During the night Detectives Marion Perkins and S. S. Swafford arrested two negroes.

f a street car was solicited, which gave truck a boost from the right of permit

Lleut, Hobday Safe.
Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Hobday, of High-land, Park, have received a letter from their son, George E. Hobday, dated after that he is safe in LaMont, France,

### GYPSY ARRESTED

Bessie Stiner Must Answer Charge of Larceny. For a time Wednesday consternation reigned in the local gypsy camp over the arrest by Patrolmen J. H. Couldy and Garis of Bessie Stiner, aged 50, a member of the tribe, on a charge of larceny. The complaint against the woman was that she took charge of \$2.55, the property of an old colored man who sought to learn from her some of the things dealing with the future. He missed the money from his person and a little later Bessie, clad in her gaudy costume, was enroute to police head-quarters. Following her arrest other members of the band visited the station to inquire about the matter.

We wish you a Happy New Year

with continued pros-

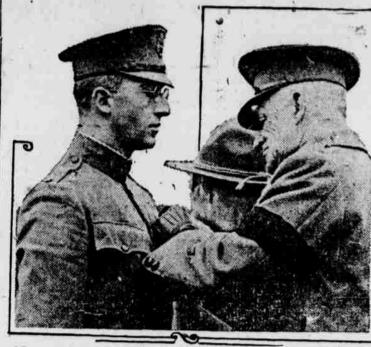
perity and universal peace.







#### GEN. EDWARDS DECORATES HERO



Lieut.-Col. Charles Whittlesey and his men, surrounded by Germans in the Argonne forest, held out for five days without receiving food or ammunition, refused to surrender to the Huns and were rescued only after 75 per cent. of the command had been killed. Gen. Edwards is here seen pinning the Congressional medal of honor on the breast of Whittlesey.

### **WANTS TO FINISH WORK** IN SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MR. HUFFAKER MAY RUN FOR RE-ELECTION.

Directors of His Company Reluctant, but Might Be Persuaded.

Commissioner H. D. Huffaker, of the department of education and rests made during the past several months have varied quite a good deal and have increased slightly rather than decreased. The report for July whether he will be a candidate for reelection. While the directors of the insurance company which Mr. Huffaker heads have been very persistent in urging him to retire from public life, it is thought that they will probably consent for him to stay in the

Will Meet Thursday.

The Jefferson Street Parent-Teachers' association will meet Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the school building. The officers will be installed at this that were it not for the building of a meeting and all members are urged to attend.

commission another term.

In speaking of the coming election Mr. Huffaker declares that he considers his work unfinished. He says that were it not for the building of a new Chattanooga High school and the inauguration of the Junior High systems. inauguration of the Junior High system in the city proper he would not consider running for commissioner again under any circumstances. But as it is, Mr. Huffaker pointed out, during his administration the Junior High plan has just been installed on the cast side of the city and the old system is being used down town.

Mr. Huffaker pointed out, like a silver strand. Sometimes, they said, they could distinguish a "loop" of the river in the metropolis. In the distance London was seen as an uncertain reflection in the sky. From above the

and S. S. Swafford arrested two negroes, tematic basis. As it is all repairs of one of whom was charged with storing the school buildings come under the while the other was charged care of Mr. Herron's department, msporting.

Mr. Huffaker feels confident that these two departments will be sep-

Blocks Traffic.

Traffic at the corner of Tenth and Market streets was tied up this morning about 9 for more than twenty ming about 9 for more than twenty ming. A big heavily-loaded truck better that he will not enter into any combination. The only changes any combination. The only changes any combination. lifes. A big heavily-loaded truck belonging to the Peerless Creamery company stripped its differential just as it was preparing to turn from Market up Tenth street. The heavy truck "died" first as it was across both car tracks, first as it was across both car tracks, first as it was across both car tracks, sick, and to move the heavy vehicle a second truck was hillched on, and in addition the services, and health should be kept just as free of a street car was solicited, which gave from politics as circumstances will

> A definite announcement is expected from Commissioner Huffaker fairs committee today, within the next few days as to whether he will be a candidate for re-election or will retire from politics.

### PANIC OF HUN RAIDERS

Experiences of Airplane Pliots at Last Described.
(London Daily Mail.) =
The story of the Gotha raids on England is the story of the third German bombing squadron of about thirty machines which were stationed in flights at St. Denis Westrem, Gontrode and Mariakerke aerodromes, Belgium.
Under the command of Hauptmann Brandenburg the first raid was made on May 25, 1917, but, flying to German hendquarters on a subsequent date in order to receive a decoration from the kaiser, Brandenburg broke a leg, and Kleine, the martinet of Hun air leaders, took command.

Kleine never lost an opportunity of

took command.

Kleine never lost an opportunity of raiding England. Of the machines which started one-fourth never reached the English coast, and of those that crossed one-half turned back before reaching London.

London was always given as the objective, but the officer-observer could

London was always given as the objective, but the officer-observer could choose his own course and height—about 10,000 to 17,000 feet, which was always the best the machine could make. He communicated his orders to the pilot by means of a crude pressbutton electrical device.

With Ostend and the Belgian coast behind them, the crew were about half way across the North sca when, thirty-five miles away, in the still moonlight. way across the North sea when, thirtyfive miles away, in the still meonlight,
they could see the dim, white line of
the Kentish cliffs. It was unmistakable, they said, this difference between
sea and land even at night, and they
had little difficulty in picking up the
North Foreland, their favorite jandfall
when heading for the Thames.

Terrified Raiders' Lies.

It was then that the cold dread of

when heading for the Thames.

Terrified Raiders' Lies.

It was then that the cold dread of their adventure came upon them and the rot set in. The atout hearts pushed on; the less inured at the first sound of gunfire released their bombs promiscuously and made for home. Until German headquarters refused to accept the report they stated the bombs "fell among hostile shipping."

The awful racket of the barrage of the outer London defences unnerved many of the best. The huge machines rocked and lurched in the air storms raised by the bursting shells, and once clear the pilots had only a moment to brace themselves to face the greater danger of the night-fighting scouts.

One shell bursting beneath the left wing of a Gotha completely overturned it, and the pilot recovered only by none-diving and flattening out perilously near the guns. Another machine, hit three times by shell-sullinters. the guns. Another machine, hit three times by shell-splinters, landed with the port engine in flames. The officer, a 5-foot 5-inch Prussian guardsman, who had made thirteen raids on England, and the pilot, a man of enormous girth, were the only two alive. The pilot of another machine with a chipped propeller landed intact on a lighted aerodrome.

Crew Jump Overboard.

the tail, the crew of another machine threw themselves overboard, while the scout slowly circled around the blazing mass as it fell to earth in an allotment. Yet another machine dived from 10,000 feet to 3,000 feet when engaged by a scout whose machine gun jammed when in a position to deal the death

by a scout whose machine gun jammed when in a position to deal the death blow from beneath the Gotha's tail. This Hun, in his effort to escape, dropped nineteen bombs in a space of 200 yards.

But, even so, there was still another terror to be faced before the city was reached. As all London knows, there was suspended from balloons thousands of feet above a yest system of pets of feet above a yest system of pets was suspended from balloons thousands of feet above a vast system of nets which would have cut the most powerful machine in two. The Huns never knew quite where these nets were and after every trip the danger was magnified.

Gotha Hits a Net Anchor.

Once in one of the later raids, when the giant (Riesen) Gothas were used, the left wing too of one machine was the

the giant (Riesen) Gothas were used, the left wing top of one machine grazed the anchor rope of a balloon, spun half round and dropped a sheer 600 feet before the pilot could recover. Another machine was being hotly chased over London by a scout when a balloon net loomed before it. The pilots strained madly at the controls, and quarry and pursuer just cleared the topmost strand in safety.

The tales the men told on their rethe tales the men told on their re-turn led to one of the most striking orders ever issued in the German air force. During the raid (Whit-Monday last) seven machines were brought down and three more crashed on landinauguration of the Junior High sys-tem in the city proper he would not

the east side of the city and the old system is being used down town.

Mr. Huffaker is very much in favor of the separation of the department of education and health. He says that the records will show that Chattanooga is the only place in the United States where these two departments are connected. He declared that as it is the health department; and the says with the picked out the admiralty and the British museum. His bombs fell a mile away from these targets. The majority admir that they saw nothing.

They bombed the "fortifications" of London as an assassin might throw a

DANIELS NAMES THEM AT-LANTIC AND PACIFIC.

Marine Corps Will Remain at 50,000 Temporarily.

from politics as circumstances will Navy Daniels announced when he re-

Capt. Prait, of the bureau of naval tairs we have discussed, with Capt. operations, had returned to the United Bible present, at each meeting, the advisability of being cautious in answer-States from overseas with Admiral Benson with an indorsement of the plan of dividing the fleet, only last night. The secretary said he was preparing to visit the Pacific coast next summer personally to supervise the carrying out of his plans for developing a large Pacific fleet and big naval bases on the western coast.

## AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN INTOLERABLE CAMP

BAKER DIRECTS INVESTI-

GATION OF CHARGES. Report Says Yanks at Brest

Live in Wretchedness

and Misery. Washington, Jan. 1.— (I. N. S.)— Published charges that 70,000 mem-bers of the American expeditionary forces at the embarkation camps at Brest are existing under "such intol-egable wretchedness and misery that one marvels at the patience and discipline that keeps them from breaking into open rebellion, resulted to-day in Secretary Baker directing Maj.-Gen, Harboard, in command of the service of supply of the S. A. E. F., to make a personal inspection of the camp.

In making the announcement Secretary Baker said that on his last trip to Europe he personally inspected the camp and found that conditions were

### COLD-WAVE WARNINGS

Tennessee and Other Southern States Promised Taste of Winter. Promised Taste of Winter.

Washington, Jan. I.—A coid wave was sweeping eastward today from the west, where the temperatures hovered around zero, Weather tureau officiais said much coider weather would overspread the eastern haif of the country within the next twenty-four hours and coid wave warnings were issued for that section stretching from lower Michigan southward to Mississippi, Alabama and northwest Florida. Fiorida.

# HEARING OF BIBLE

DISCHARGED FIREMEN AP. PEAL TO COMMISSION.

Commissioner Betterton Says There Was Absolutely No

Mayor Littleton and Commissioner
Betterton by couching the motion in terms acceptable to both, it was decided by the city commission yester day afternoon to hear the appeal of brary of the club.

Description of the motion in Dancing by the younger element was indulged in till the "wee small" hours, while the older were provided with chess, checkers and cards in the library of the club. Capt. W. L. Bible and Engineer C. D. Albright on the 13th of January. The appeal, made following the action of Commissioner Betterton in discharging the men from the fire department, holding them responsible for the recent collision at Sixth and Chestnut streets, involved points in the city charter about which there was considerable cloudiness of opin-ion, thus causing the argument beion, thus causing the argument be-tween Mr. Betterton and Mr. Little-

Mr. Littleton, after the commis-Mr. Littleton, after the commis-sioner of fire and police had read his report to the commission and a re-port from Chief Toomey and Assist-ant Chief Weigel, read a letter from Capt. Bible and one from Mr. Al-bright. Both letters denied violation of orders in making the run which

peal and making it mandatory upon of this opportunity of meeting to-the commission to hear appeals where asked. Commissioner Bass

member of the two crews, except those on the injured list, had been examined. The report stated that practically all of these men understood the route taken by engine comparison that every tion agent, and in view of the large number of entries which must be recorded, all sentries, it is announced, must be in the hands of the young stood the route taken by engine comparison to later than midnight Saturday, Jan. 4. Since the show is to

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mer the United States navy will have strict orders had been given No. 3 En-been divided into two fleets of equal in the above-mentioned district they strength, one on the Atlantic and one on the Pacific coast. Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced when he reappeared before the house naval affairs committee today.

Daniels told the committee that 'apt. Pratt. of the bureau of the alarm of fire, and further in answering in any other engine company's district they were to proceed fowly with the machines under absolute control. These orders given No. 3 Fingine company were grossly disregarded.

visability of being cautious in answe ing alarms in this district.

Respectfully.
(Signed) W. M. TOOMEY.

Chief of Fire Department.

E. A. WEIGEL.

Assistant Chief of Fire Department.

Carclessness Responsible.

Commissioner Betterton, in prefacir

ommissioner Betterton, in prefacing introduction of the subject before the commission meeting, stated that the the commission meeting, stated that the wreck was due solely to careleganess and disregard of orders for which there was not the slightest excuse.

A letter from the members of Engine Company No. 1 asking the transfer back of their former captain, George M. Brown, who was put in charge of No. 2 after the discharge of Capt. Bible, was kead by Commissioner Betterten, and his renly, refusing the request for the good of the service, was also read.

### DOBBS APPOINTED

Sidewalk Work Will Be Resumed-Crit Sidewalk Work Will Be Resumed—Crittenton Home Gets Moriey.

At yesterday's meeting of the city commission Commissioner Hass announced that with the end of the war and the consequent increase in the labor supply he thought it was a good time to resume sidewalk work, and as a preliminary fie had appointed J. M. Dobbs to the position of sidewalk inspector. spector.
The ordinance appropriating \$1,500 to

# ARRANGE PARIS TOURNEY

Knights of Columbus Say Will Excel London Exhibition. A big boxing tolirpament is being ar-ranged by the Knights of Columbus. and the contests for championships will take place in Paris for the entertainment of Uncle Sam's soldiers, sailors, marines and aviators. Helts will be awarded by the Knights of Columbus to the champion in such class. to the champion in each class. Accord-ing to present plans, the tourney in the French capital will be of greater im-portance than that recently held in

### "ARECO" ENTERTAINS

Employes of Express Company Have
Watch Night Party.
The Areco club, composed of employes of the American Railway Express company, sped the parting year and welcomed the new born one at their club rooms on Chestonic street. Many a Gotha crew fought desperately and well; but others completely lost their heads. The back of the fuselage Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.

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To get the genuine, call for full name their heads. The back of the fuselage Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.

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"Tacky" watch party. More the manhers appeared in contume of the genuine of E. W. GROVE genuine.

Seeing flames spurting from Cures a Cold in One Day. 30c.—(Adv.) club rooms on Chestnut street, with a "Tacky" watch party. More than 150 manbers appeared in costume and masked, only the older and more sedate of the costumes showed great originality and many surprises followed the

SET FOR JAN. 13

GED FIREMEN AP.

FO COMMISSION.

Oner Betterton Says

Vas Absolutely No

Handsome and useful prizes had been offered for the most effective make-ups and a committee of Judges was appointed and awarded the prizes as follows: Miss Edith Smith, first prize for ladies; Miss L. Fry, second prize for ladies; H. B. Payne, first prize for gentlemen; L. L. Armstrong, second prize for gentlemen. Prizes were later given by lot for attendance. Miss Alice Rhinehardt being given the prize for ladies and H. B. Payne secured that for gentlemen.

After Commissioner Bass had broken an apparent deadlock between Mayor Littleton and Commissioner Betterton by couching the motion in terms acceptable to both, it was decided by the sounger also and the cats and drinks heartly discided by the sounger elso.

**BIG POULTRY SHOW BEGINNING ON JAN. 7** 

TO BE HELD IN OLD MA-GILL PALMER STORE.

Twenty-One Cups Offered by Chattanooga Poultry Association-Other Prizes.

Final arrangements have been made by the Chattanooga Poultry association for the largest show in the resulted in the collision, though in the report of Chief Toomey and Mr. Weigel it was stated that Albright admitted taking the Sixth street route in violation of orders.

The mayor then moved that the appeal be granted and a late set for hearing. Mr. Betterton objected, saying that under the charter the commission had no alternative but to grant the appeal and that setting the date was all that was necessary.

The company at \$26 Market street has been secured for the big show. The event will be given under the area of the structure. His plan was to open polis at every regular voting place in the company at \$25 Market street has been secured for the big show. The history of the organization and one the date was all that was necessary. The city attorney was asked regarding the provisions of the charter, and he said that the right of appeal had been taken away when the civil serve to be a secured for the big show. The event will be given under the auspices of the emergency home demonstration work for the city of Chattanooga. The last show held by the poultry association was staged about three years ago. Prior to this date each year a show had been given for a number of years, the local purepeal and making it mandatory upon of this opportunity of meeting tocomparing notes and offering sugges-

Wright, assistant home demonstra-tion agent, and in view of the large number of entries which must be repany No. 3 to be in violation of orders, and that part dealing with Englineer Albright's statement is as follows:

| Description of the following the placed by 3 Monday after-lows: ders, and that part dealing with Engineer Albright's statement is as follows:

C. D. Allbright, engineer of No. 2
Engine company, stated that he caught the alarm and location at Flith and Pine streets. That as he came out of the enginehouse his engine was working bad, on account of the engine being cold; that he turned down into Sixth street because he did not want to climb the hill from the enginehouse into High street, so as to take Fourth street to the location of the fire; that he knew he was disregarding orders and had orders to take Fourth street in answering in this district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was occupying the seat on the acquire was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was district. He further stated that the captain was occupying the seat on the acquire was districted by a must be placed by 3 Monday after noon. The coops needed for the show have been secured and the show is expected to go off without a hitch. Leg bands for the entered fowls may be secured from the captain the show is expected to go off without a hitch

day clock; T. H. Payne & Co., one fountain pen; Bee Dee Stock company, Ree Dee Stock and Poultry medicine, two dozen and six cans, one dozen and one bottle of Bee Dee Binimerit, one dozen bottle of Bee Dee Binimerit of Mrs. Mattie Wilson, aged 25. who died Tuesday morning at the home of her son, H. B. Higgins, on Chamberlain avenue, was held from Chapman's chapel Wednesday afternoon at 2. The interment took place in Fureday morning at the home of her son, H. B. Higgins, on Chamberlain avenue was held from Chapman's chapel Wednesday afternoon at 2. The interment body of Mrs. A. E. Wilson, aged 35. who died Tuesday morning at the home of her son, H. B. Higgins, on Chapman's

company, one pair of silk hose.

Pigeons Shown, Too.

In addition to the poultry exhibits.

Corpl. J. Gobbin, of the signal corps, will have on exhibit several coops of homing pigeons. The little flore and the signal corps will demonstrate be a signal corps. Corps. J. J. Gobbin, of the signal corps, will have on exhibit several coops of homing pigeons. The little filers will demonstrate how they carry for their Uncle Sam at the rate of the Chattanooga. He was married to

Matoika and Transport
Moccasin Dock.
New York, Jan. 1. The American transport
Moccasin, with fifty five efficies and soldiers
and four Y. M. C. A. men, arrived here today
from Brest.

engers as soon as the Hijndam Snishes un neding. Rijndam arrived with 3,000 yester

WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE AUDITORIUM?

NO REPORT FROM COMMIT. TEE YET.

Meeting of Civic Bodies Held Some Time Ago Appointed Executive Committee.

Whether the enthusiasm with which the executive board of the auditorium committee started work has dampened with the weather o been frozen out, also with the weather, is difficult to determine, But, at any rate, the report which was to have been made a week or two ago has not shown up and the members of the board themselves admit that little has been done. Two members of the board told a News reporter Tuesday that it had accomplished "nothing definite,"

The project of building a magnificent auditorium, which, in connection with a memorial arch to be erected in front of it, would pay tribute to Chattanooga's war heroes, was first suggested by a member of the Kiwanis club, at one of the or-ganization's weekly meetings. Ex-pressions of opinion's were secured from all the local civic organizations

and the city government, comment being favorable everywhere. Every civic body in Hamilton county was invited to send repre-sentatives to a meeting held at the was there, and many views were heard. Mayor Littleton proposed a unique way of raising the \$250,000 or \$200,000 needed to build the proposed county and there solicit popular sub scriptions. By such methods, he declared, the entire sum needed could be obtained in one day.

The only real business transacted

at the gathering at the chamber of commerce, which was presided over by O. P. Darwin, president of the Kiwanis club, was the election of an executive board. This was to have in charge the actual building of the auditorium. Its members the matter by moving that the request for an appeal be received and filed and that a date be set.

Two Chiefs Make an Investigation.

In a report filed by Chiefs Toomey and Weigel, it was stated that every members of the two greens are expected. By Miss Maude Guthrie, home demonstration agent, and Miss Gertrude and Weigel, it was stated that every members of the two greens are expected by Miss Maude Guthrie, home demonstration agent, and in view of the large.

It was understood that the board after considering the questions of location, architecture, cost and the means of raising the funds necessary report back to the general committee soon. At present the board hopes to have

specific recommendations "so time soon." Until such action taken, the numerous sittings of the board are veiled in secrecy.

corps, will have on exhibit several cops of homing pigeons. The little cops of homing pigeons. The little filers will demonstrate how they care in flers will demonstrate how they care in fless will be heart of the many fless will be heart so the survived by the Chattanooga and Teninese River Power company. He went to Sheffleld on September 3.1935, to take up the fless of the many the demonstrate of Mr. Banks will be constituted by the fless of the many the demonstrate of the many the demonstrate of the many the demonstrate of the many the went to sheffled on September 3.1935, to take up the fless of the many the demonstrate of the many the demonstrate of the many the demonstrate of the many the demonstration transport will be held of the care will be held of the care will be held at 1930 Thursday morning at 2 cicles will be held at 1930 Thursday morning Rev. C. W. Jones sinted from New York, Jan. 1.—The American

Maj. E. E. Greenleaf United States commissioner for many years, died today. He was an artillery officer in the Union army during the Civil war and was 86 years old. His

GREENWOOD CEMETERY

PATRIOTIC JUBILEE

HE'LL SEE THAT JAPAN



## **NEW YEAR'S SHOOTING** PROVES COSTLY TO WIRES

POLICE TO STOP PROMIS-CUOUS BANGING.

Gamewell Alarm Boxes and Telephone Cables Pierced by Stray Bullets.

Members of the local police depart ment are now even more determined to put a stop to the shooting of fire-arms on the downtown thoroughfares, which always takes place at New Year's celebrations and similar occasions. Besides being extremely danger ous to pedestrians on the streets mishap always results to the head telephone as well as fire alarm and gamewell wires, which might re-sult in a serious handicap to the firenight at midnight, a large crowd gathered at Ninth and Market and proceeded to fire several revolvers. The one of the fire alarm wires overhead, severing connection with the box and headquarters, which was consequently put out of commission. The breakage was immediately discovered and the wire was repaired today.

The recent celebration of the signing of the armistice, it was stated, was very costly to the telephone company, the overhead lead cables being pierced by tille and the service.

Fleet of Thirty Arrive on Island of Malta From Corfu.

Valetta, Island of Malta, Jan. 1.—Thirty
American submerica cleaves have arrived here
from Corfu. They will leave for home Jan.

HUTS IN CHAMPS DE MARS

CHAMLEE GIVES

**NEGROES CHARACTERS** NOT GOOD ONES IN SIGHT

OF LAW, HOWEVER.

Ninth Street Habitues Fall Into Toils of Law in Old North State.

North State.

Obsessed with the desire to wear good clothes, but minus the energy to earn them by the sweat of their brows, has caused Levi Harris and Fate Smith, two colored celebrities of the segregated area of East Ninth and Wall streets, to be interned for the period of investigation in the Charlotte (N, C.) jail. The two East Ninth streeters journeyed to Charlotte to spend the Christmaa vacation with friends, but, mixing business with pleasure, landed in jail. It is charged by the North Carolina authorities that the two negries had sojourned but temporarily in their city before they became possessed of articles for which they neither paid nor asked. After being arrested the negroes added twenty-four-karat nerve to their other law transgressions and had the attorney-general of the North Carolina circuit wire Gen. George W. Chamlee that the negroes claimed they could establish a good character here.

Gen. Chamlee has written the attorney-general that, outside of depending on the negroes claimed they could establish a good character here.

Gen. Chamlee has written the attorney-general that, outside of depending on the robbery of their fellow-men for a living, outside of being knights of the green cloth of the extreme unlawful variety, outside of plying their crooked trade of dice rolling and outside of being undesirables of the very 4th callber, the negroes were perfect law-abiding citizens. W. J. Counts has been appointed commissioner to hear what

ing undesirables of the very 44th call-ber, the negroes were perfect isw-abiding citizens. W. J. Counts has been appointed commissioner to hear what the fellow-men of the negroes will say about them in this their time of dire need and distress. Those who will youch for what Gen. Chamlee has learned of the negroes are Squire J. J. Bork, Luther Carter, Sam Light, W. A. Burnett, Joe Rogers, Dr. S. R. Clements and others.

and others.

The Christmas visit of Smith and Harris to North Carolina promises to be an extended one. In the meantime Chattanooga will breathe an air of freedom from the exploits of both men now held in the North Carolina city.

#### COME FROM KENTUCKY

James C. Bright and John K. Todd Guests of Judge Jeptha Bright, James C. Bright and Hon. Jno. K. Todd, both of Shelbyville, Ky., spending the day in the city as guests of their brother and cousin, Judge Jeptha Bright. The Kentuckians are and gamewell wires, which might re-sult in a serious handicap to the fire-men in the event of a hurry call. Last a wealthy and prominent tobacco man night at midnight, a large crowd gathered at Ninth and Market and proceeded to fire several revolvers. The bullet from one of the guns struck Kentucky industries. Mr. Todd is one of Kentucky's leading lawyers, being president of the Kentucky state bar association. He is a resident of the Eighth congressional circuit and is an

did not arrive here until some time after he was buried. In the letter he said the day he wrote her was pay day and he had been asked to remain at the camp and do some special work, hence he would not get to come home, as he had first planned.

Washington, Jan 1.—On the opening of the new year the treasury's war risk insurance bureau announced today it had mailed all albitumes dependents covering October pay, due in December. Reginning Thursday, the bureau will begin to distribute checks covering allotment from sedders' pay in November, due in January, and the distribute checks covering allotment from sedders' pay in November, due in January, and the distribute to Receive Allotters. Dependents of Soldiers to Receive Al-

